United States Court of Federal Claims

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT TO RULES

Following public notice and an opportunity for comment, the United States Court of Federal Claims hereby announces the adoption of amendments to Rule 77.1 effective March 15, 2005. As amended, Rule 77.1 is as follows:

Rule 77.1. Business Hours, Scheduling and Fees

- (a) Business Hours. The Office of the Clerk is open during the hours 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. on business days. A night box is provided for filing with the Office of the Clerk between the hours of 5:15 p.m. and 12:00 midnight on any business day for papers due that day. I'll The box is located inside the gate at the garage entrance on H Street. It is suggested that counsel telephone the clerk's office by 9:30 a.m. of the next day as to receipt, (202) 357-6400.
- (b) Scheduling. The clerk shall schedule the use of courtrooms in Washington, DC, and shall be responsible for all arrangements for courtrooms and other facilities required by the court at locations other than in Washington, DC. All conferences, oral arguments, trials, and other recorded appearances shall be scheduled by the judge by order filed with the clerk.

(c) Fee Schedule.

- (1) Fees for services rendered by the clerk are payable in advance; all checks shall be made payable to "Clerk, United States Court of Federal Claims."
- (2) The fees payable are prescribed by the Judicial Conference of the United States pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1926(a). A copy of the applicable schedule of fees is posted on the court's website http://www.uscfc.uscourts.gov. The current schedule of fees may also be obtained by calling the clerk's office.

Rules Committee Notes

2002 Revision

Former RCFC 77.1 was deleted in its entirety. Current RCFC 77.1 reflects portions of the text of former subdivisions (c) as well as subdivisions (h) and (I) of RCFC 77.

2005 Amendment

Subdivision (c)(2) was revised to conform more precisely with 28 U.S.C. § 1926(a) which provides that "[t]he Judicial Conference of the United States shall prescribe from time to time the fees and costs to be charged and collected in the United States Court of Federal Claims." This authorization for the Judicial Conference to prescribe fees for the court has a counterpart in 28 U.S.C. § 1914 which specifies that the Judicial Conference shall prescribe fees applicable in federal district courts. Ordinarily, the Judicial Conference amends the fee schedules for both district courts and this court at the same time. Currently applicable fee schedules are obtainable on the court's website and through a variety of other published sources.

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